

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

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STEVEN DARMER,

Civil No. 17-4309 (JRT/KMM)

Plaintiff,

v.

STATE FARM FIRE AND CASUALTY  
COMPANY,

**ORDER ON REPORT  
AND RECOMMENDATION**

Defendant.

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Edward E Beckmann, **BECKMANN LAW FIRM, LLC**, 3800 American Boulevard West, Suite 1500, Bloomington, MN 55431, for plaintiff.

Scott G Williams, Michelle Christensen, **HKM LAW GROUP**, 30 East 7th Street, Suite 3200, St Paul, MN 55101, Lehoan T. Pham, **LATHROP GPM LLP**, 80 South 8th Street, Suite 500 IDS Center, Minneapolis, MN 55402, for defendant.

The above matter comes before the Court upon the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Katherine Menendez dated February 24, 2020. No objections have been filed to that Report and Recommendation in the time period permitted. Based on the Report and Recommendation of the Magistrate Judge, on all of the files, records, and proceedings herein, the Court now makes and enters the following Order.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Steven Darmer, Edward Beckmann, or both, shall pay State Farm \$19,515.80 in attorney's fees and costs as a sanction for the failure to

comply with a discovery order pursuant to Rule 37(b)(2) and for abuse of the discovery process pursuant to the Court's inherent powers.

Dated: April 1, 2020  
at Minneapolis, Minnesota

s/John R. Tunheim  
JOHN R. TUNHEIM  
Chief Judge  
United States District Court